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Jorge Haynes, Treasurer
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1200 San Bernardo
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Identification Number: C00276592

Reference: October Quarterly Report (7/1/94-9/30/94)

Dear Mr. Haynes:

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This letter is to inform you that as of December 21, 1994, the Commission has not received your response to our request for additional information, dated November 30, 1994. This notice request information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to this request (copy enclosed).

If no response is received within fifteen (16) days from the date of this notice, the Commission may choose to initiate audit or legal enforcement action.

If you should have any questions related to this matter, please contact J.P. Andre' on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 or our local number (202) 219-3580.

Sincerely,

John D. Grbson

Assistant Staff Director Reports Analysis Division

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Dear Mr. Haynes:

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This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-The identification of each contributor, including the person's occupation and name of employer, must be provided if the person has contributed in excess of \$200 in the aggregate during the calendar year. Please amend Schedule A supporting Line 11(a)(i) for each entry lacking a contributor's occupation and name of employer.

If your committee has made attempts, either by a Note: written request or by an oral request documented in writing to obtain this information from each contributor, your committee may have exercised "best efforts." Under revised 11 CFR 104.7(b), such effort shall consist of an initial clear and conspicuous request for the name, mailing address, occupation, and name of employer of each individual who has contributed \$200 in the calendar year which informs the contributor that the reporting of such information is required by law. If necessary, your conmittee must make a written follow-up request or an oral follow-up request documented in writing, within thirty days with no additional solicitation. Subsequently, the committee should report any changes provided by the contributor or any additional information which is in the committee's records. If you believe that your committee satisfies the "best efforts" provision, you should provide a copy of your solicitation or an explanation of the method(s) used to obtain contribution information. Clarification regarding "best efforts" should be disclosed during each two year election cycle beginning with the first report filed in the non-election year. 11 CFR \$104.3(a)(4)(1)

-On Schedule A supporting Line 11(a)(i) of the Detailed Bummary Page, your report disclosed contributions from individuals that omit the aggregate year-to-date totals. Please amend your report by supplying the information. 11 CFR \$104.3(a)(4)(i)

-Your report includes computer produced formats of the Summary and Detailed Summary Pages and Schedule A. Computer produced formats may only be used upon prior approval of the Commission. You should submit a separate sample format with a cover letter requesting approval. Until your format has been approved, FEC forms must be used. 11 CFR \$104.2(d)

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 219-3580.

Sincerely,

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